



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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Agricultural Marketing Service

TITLE: Regulations for the Inspection of Eggs

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0581-0113

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: Congress enacted the Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1031-1056) (EPIA) to provide a mandatory inspection program to assure egg products are processed under sanitary conditions, are wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled; to control the disposition of dirty and checked shell eggs; to control unwholesome, adulterated, and inedible egg products and shell eggs that are unfit for human consumption; and to control the movement and disposition of imported shell eggs and egg products that are unwholesome and inedible. Regulations developed under 7 CFR Part 57 provide the requirements and guidelines for the Department and industry needed to obtain compliance. The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) will collect information using several forms. Forms used to collect information provide method for measuring workload, record of compliance and non compliance and a basis to monitor the utilization of funds.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: AMS will use the information to assure compliance with the Act and regulations, to take administrative and regulatory action and to develop and revise cooperative agreements with the States, which conduct surveillance inspections of shell egg handlers and processors. If the information is not collected, AMS would not be able to control the processing, movement, and disposition of restricted shell eggs and egg products and take regulatory action in case of noncompliance.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Business or other for-profit; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 818

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Quarterly

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 1,909

Agricultural Marketing Service

TITLE: Dairy Products Mandatory Sales Reporting

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0581-0274

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Mandatory Price Reporting Act of 2010 amended §273(d) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to establish an electronic reporting system for certain manufacturers of dairy products to report sales information under 7 CFR part 1170, the mandatory Dairy Product Mandatory Reporting Program. Data collection for cheddar cheese, butter, dry whey, or nonfat dry milk sales is limited to manufacturing plants producing annually 1 million pounds or more of one of the surveyed commodities specified in the program.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: Persons engaged in manufacturing dairy products are required to provide the Department of Agriculture (USDA) certain information, including the price, quantity, and moisture content, where applicable, of dairy products sold by the manufacturer. Various manufacturer reports are filed electronically on a weekly basis. Additional paper forms are filed by manufacturers on an annual basis to validate participation in the mandatory reporting program. Manufacturers and other persons storing dairy products must also report information on the quantity of dairy products stored. USDA publishes composites of the information obtained to help

industry members make informed marketing decisions regarding dairy products. The information is also used to establish minimum prices for Class III and Class IV milk under Federal milk marketing orders. Without this information USDA would not be able to verify compliance with applicable regulations.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Businesses – Cheddar Cheese, 40 lb. Blocks

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 181

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: On occasion; Weekly; Annually

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 2,331

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